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THERE is a possibility that that old political warhorse, D. S. Hasty of Arapahoe, may add piquancy and interest to the primary race for state senator in this district. "Min" always makes somebody go some.

WITH Senators Hale and Aldrich announcing retirement from the U. S. senate with the end of their present terms, interest naturally centers on the succession to the throne of privilege. Or does it rise to the dignity and impressive importance of ushering in an epoch in American politics?

SAMUEL LANGHORD CLEMENS, known to fame and his admiring countrymen as Mark Twain, died on Thursday last, April 21st, of angina pectoris. A rare soul and a literary genius quite apart from the ordinary, Mark Twain holds a high place among American authors of the last half century.

GOVERNOR HUGHES of New York will become an associate on the national supreme bench, October next. And the interests feel directly better. The governor has not been to the liking of the stand-pat politicians of the Empire state. Will the shelving be after the similitude of the Roosevelt affair?

ONE of the "infant industries" so consistently benefited by our tariff laws is the United States Steel Corporation. With a working capital of almost \$230,000,000, employing 195,500 people, gross annual earnings of \$650,000,000, and assets aggregating almost \$2,000,000,000, the "infant" ought shortly to be able to sit up and take nourishment.

BUT for the closing of the banks and postoffice, Friday, Arbor Day would have passed quite unnoticed. There seems to be some need of Senator Burkett's proposed measure to establish a "Morton Institution of Forestry" at Nebraska City to keep alive and green the memory of the father of Arbor Day, and to give renewed life to the purpose of the day.

THE sentiment of this representative and of this senatorial district is doubtless favorable to county option. There should be a Horatius at the bridge in every county to see that nominations are made at the primary in harmony with this sentiment. Let there be no going to sleep at the switch on the part of the temperance people, this summer or or fall.

"CLEANLINESS is akin to Godliness." It may be expecting too much of McCook to make a record for Godliness that would cause the angels to sit and take notice; but there is no valid or sufficient reason why we shall not capture the corn-bread, bakery and all, for cleanliness, so far at least as the term applies to physical conditions. Obey Mayor Huber. Clean up!

In the "classic" language of the day, "what do you know about this":

"Down at Red Cloud before the election the saloons had subscribed quite a large sum of money to help defray the expenses of the base ball team and after the town went dry they, of course, would not be in business and could not pay their subscription. The W. C. T. U. ladies of that place came to the rescue and raised \$600 for the ball team."—Minden News.

TO THE VOTERS OF RED WILLOW COUNTY:

The editor of the Indianola Reporter, a Democratic paper published in Indianola and having a few hundred subscribers (most of them in the city of Indianola), sees fit to brand the two Republican county commissioners as grafters, and in attempting to prove it cites the recent hiring of a janitor for the court house, the letting of the county printing contract, and alleges that each of the Republican commissioners received a sum of six dollars, illegally, for two days' time before they were sworn into office.

In referring to these charges we will first take up the matter of the janitor. Mr. M. Mathes was the selection of the two Republican commissioners, owing to his known ability and faithfulness, his being not able to do heavier and rougher work, and in addition to all this, the fact of his being an old soldier, not only worthy but well qualified for this position.

As to the jailor offering to do the janitor work for nothing, let us have an investigation, and the truth told about the matter, since the editor of the Reporter is so zealous in his demand for it.

There are but two jailors in the employ of the county, and they are Mr. L. M. Higgins, the sheriff, and Mr. Dutcher, the deputy sheriff, and neither of these gentlemen has ever offered to do the janitor work free of charge. It is true, however, that the sheriff asked to HAVE HIS SON APPOINTED JAILOR at a salary of \$45.00 per month, and he would also do the janitor work without additional charge. This proposition was favored by Mr. Sughroue, but was rejected by the Republican commissioners for the reason that the former sheriff and his deputy, Mr. Peterson and Mr. Osborn, did all the jailor work, along with their other duties, for the same salaries as are now paid to the present sheriff and his deputy, namely \$100.00 per month to the sheriff, and \$25.00 per month to the deputy, and there is no necessity for the appointment of a jailor. IS THIS GRAFT?

Neither Peterson nor Osborn ever asked to have a jailor appointed, and there is no more demand for one now than there was then. Why did not the editor of the Reporter mention this matter, if he is trying to tell the truth and not "mislead" the people?

As to the printing contract, I want the tax-payers of the county to take particular notice of the bids submitted by the former editor of the Reporter, and Mr. Kimmell of The McCook Tribune.

Taking as a basis the amounts expended in the year 1909 for the several items bid on by each of the above bidders, we find the following comparison quite interesting.

13200 Envelopes at \$3.15	- \$41.58	\$3.75	- -	\$49.50
4700 Letter Heads	2.05 - 9.63	3.75	- -	17.62
2000 Claim Blanks	2.05 - 4.10	4.50	- -	9.00
3 sets of Bar Dockets	.75 - 108.00	.50	- -	72.00
	\$163.31			\$148.12

The above shows Kimmell's bid to be 11 percent lower than the Reporter's bid. The Reporter did not bid on printing ballots, which was an item of \$247.00 for the year 1909, and while in the bid submitted the Reporter was lower on the supplies which do not run into much money, on the heavier item of bar dockets was 50 percent higher than Mr. Kimmell.

In the issue of April 14, the Reporter asks: "Will the Republican commissioners turn back the \$6.00 illegally taken by each of them for the same service as that performed by Mr. Sughroue, and by him turned back to the county?" In answer to this I will say NO, as I did not take, nor ever filed a bill for the two days' referred to by the Reporter.

All this simply proves but one thing: That the editor of the Reporter is not honest and sincere in his much vaunted desire to find out and tell the "truth of things," and his false assertions, made without foundation of fact, places him in the same class with the late editor of the Red Willow County Standard, who left McCook between two days, owing rent, store bills, overpaid subscriptions, etc., and who had not the respect or confidence of any honest man, either Democrat or Republican.

The Reporter will doubtless learn sometime, to its sorrow, that the American people love fair play and that there are but few people, either Democrats or Republicans, who will long place confidence in a newspaper that practices such contemptible methods without other cause than a difference of political belief.

Very truly yours,

C. B. GRAY.



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MOVEMENTS OF THE PEOPLE.

MRS. SAM PICKARD is improving from her late serious illness.

E. B. PERRY, the Cambridge lawyer, was in town, Monday, on legal affairs.

GEORGE HANKS, the Hayes county ranchman, was in town, end of week, on business.

GUS NORBERG, the Holdrege lawyer, was in town, Monday, on business as a federal officer.

JUDGE H. S. DUNGAN of Hastings was the guest of his brother W. H. Dungan, Saturday and Sunday.

MRS. E. O. SCOTT went down to Lincoln, last Saturday, on a visit to relatives in the state's capital.

DR. JAMES HART, assistant state veterinarian, has changed his headquarters from Indianola to McCook.

MR. LAWLER, the former West B street merchant, now of South Omaha, was in town, last Friday, on matters of business.

MRS. J. S. McBRAYEN and Lila leave latter part of this week, for Excelsior Springs, Mo., for the benefit of Mrs. McBrayer's health.

DR. FOSSLER, formerly of Omaha, late of Sheridan, Wyo., has been in the city part of the week looking over this as a location for his profession.

TEDDIE CAIN, who was recently operated upon at Holbrook, was brought to the city on No. 5, Tuesday night, and taken to the home of his father Frank Cain for the convalescent period.

ADISON RIDDELL of McCook and Mrs. Kate Phillips of Burdett, Colo., former resident of this place, were married at the home of her daughter Mrs. J. Grovert, Wednesday; a number of near friends were present. They will make their home in Colorado.—Indianola Reporter.

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GEORGE BURGESS is doing some plumbing in Wauneta, this week.

DR. W. A. DEMAY of Danbury had business in the county's capital, Monday.

G. W. LUDWICK of the Star laundry is bedfast with an attack of rheumatism.

L. C. STOLL was called up to Curtis, close of last week, by the illness of his father.

MISS CLARA ABEL of Red Cloud was the guest of her sister Miss Martha over Sunday.

T. E. McDONALD, cashier of the Bank of Danbury, was down to the county capital, Friday last, on business in the court house.

MRS. M. A. NORTHERP went down to Lincoln, Saturday, to visit her son Charles. She will visit in Neligh before returning home.

HARRY WOOLARD was just beginning to get over that "without a home" feeling, when the scarlet fever sign made him take to the woods again.

LEWIS LUDWICK returned, Monday morning, to school at Nebraska City. Lewis' vocal solo, Sunday evening, in the Methodist church, was greatly appreciated.

MR. AND MRS. DRATH of Herndon, Kas., and their children, were guests of McCook relatives, Saturday-Monday. Mrs. Drath is a sister of L. Sues and Mrs. Fred Schwab.

MR. AND MRS. J. S. VARVLE and little son returned, Monday, to their home at McCook, after a two weeks' visit to the former's mother, Mrs. Corn and other relatives.—Geneva Signal.

REV. GEORGE SCHMIDT, formerly of this city, now of New Windsor, Colo., was the guest of Rev. G. L. Henkelmann, last Friday, while on his way home from a trip east.

MINOR ITEMS OF NEWS

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Mary Harrison, nurse. Phone black 286.

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The Knipple store-room has been rewired for lighting purposes and a steel ceiling added to the improvements.

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The Pythian Sisters initiated several candidates, last evening, and enjoyed a spread thereafter.

Deucus society of the Congregational church will meet with Mrs. B. L. Weber, next Thursday afternoon at 2:30, May 5th.

The high wind of last Thursday caused the breaking of one of the plate glass windows in the C. L. DeGross & Co. store building.

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